THURSDAY, June 3, 1897.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to

their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Darby, Dimick, Gaillard, Hendley, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Roberts, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williams—23.

A quorum present.

Prayer by Rev. E. Trice, Chaplain of the House.

On motion the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was corrected and approved.

Mr. Dougherty asked that Senator Williams and himself be excused from attendance upon the session of the Senate on account of being engaged in the investigation of the management of the Normal School at DeFuniak Springs;

Which was granted.

A message was received from the House of Representatives.

Mr. Hooker moved that the rules be waived, and that the Senate take up House messages;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Blitch of 21st moved that the messages from the House of Representatives be spread upon the Journal without reading, but that the bills therein be read the first time by title and referred;

Which was agreed to.

Messages from the House.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives, \{\) Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT.

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives toinform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passedSenate Concurrent Resolution No. 22:

Relating to the publication of the pay rolls as certified to the State Treasurer, showing the time served and the amount paid and to whom paid, of all clerks not provided for in the act fixing the pay of members, officers and attaches.

Very respectfully, Wm. Forsyth Bynum,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Also the following:

House of Representatives. TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

Sie-I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 89:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish a battalion of naval militia to be known as the First Naval Battalion of the State of Florida.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 89, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following:

House of Representatives, 7 Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

Sir.—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 146:

A bill to be entitled an act to continue the powers, rights, privileges and grants of the Atlantic and Gulf Railway Company, and to amend the same.

Very respectfully, Wm. Forsyth Bynum,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 146, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following:

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

Siz-I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 27:

A bill to be entitled an act to require all taxes on land sold for partition to be paid out of the purchase money.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 27, contained in above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following:

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT.

President of the Senate:

Sir-I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 119:

A bill to be entitled an act to vest the control and sale of certain lands in Florida in the State Board of Education, and to apply the proceeds arising from the sale of said lands to be principal of the common school fund in the State of Florida.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate

thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 119, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved that the rules be waived, and House Bill No. 119 be read the second time by its title;

Which was not agreed to.

And House Bill No. 119 was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Also the following:

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

Hon. C. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

Sir-I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 194:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act for the assessment and collection of revenue, the same being chapter 4322, Laws of Florida.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate

thereto.

Very respectfully, Wm. Forsyth Bynum,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 194, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Roberts moved that the rules be waived, and House

Bill No. 194 be read second time by its title; Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 194, was read second time by its title. And House Bill No. 194 was placed on the calendar of bills on third reading.

Also the following:

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT.

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 251:

A bill to be entitled an act to allow municipalities to prohibit the sale of fireworks. And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 251, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

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Mr. Chipley moved that House Bill No. 251 be placed on the calendar of bills on second reading without reference;

Which was agreed to. Also the following:

House of Representatives, { Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

Sir—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 205:

A bill to be entitled act to regulate proceedings by receivers.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 205, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also the following:

House of Representatives, \{\text{Tallahassee}, Fla., June 3, 1897.}

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 412:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend sections 29, 32, 35,

47, 48, 50, 66 and 67 of chapter 4322. Laws of Florida, entitled an act for the assessment and collection of revenue, approved June 1, 1895.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate

thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 412, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Daniel moved that House Bill No. 412 be placed on the calendar of bills on second reading without reference; Which was agreed to.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Williams, Acting Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR-Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred-

Senate Bill No. 304:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the levy of a tax of two mills, the proceeds there of to be devoted to the payment of pensions.

Have carefully examined the bill, and recommend

that it be amended as follows:

After the last word in section 2, add the words: "Provided, That if the Governor and Comptroller shall discover from the aggregate assessment of the property of the State, the reduction of the two mills for either of the years 1897 or 1898 will be justified; they are hereby authorized to reduce the same as low as they may deem advisable; and they are hereby empowered to instruct the tax collector to collect only such reduced tax as they may fix as aforesaid."

And as thus amended recommend that the same do pass.

Very respectfully,

AUTHUR T. WILLIAMS,

Acting Chairman Committee on Finance and Taxation.

And Senate Bill No. 304, contained in the above report, together with the amendment offered by the committee, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Chipley, Chairman of the Committee on City and

County Organization, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, { TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 1, 1897. }

Hon. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR-Your Committee on City and County Organization, to whom was ref-rred-

Senate Bill No. 252:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish the boundaries of the town of Orange Park.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same, and return it without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

W. D. CHIPLEY,

Chairman Committee on City and County Organization.

And Senate Bill No. 252, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar on bills on second reading.

Mr. Chipley, Chairman of the Committee on City and County Organization, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 1, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT.

President of the Senate:

SIR-Your Committee on City and County Organization, to whom was referred-

House Bill No. 300:

A bill to be entitled an act declaring the town of East Tampa, in the county of Hillsborough, and State of Florida, to be a legally incorporated town.

Beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration, and herewith return it without recommenda-

ton.

Very respectfully,

W. D. CHIPLEY,

Chairman Committee on City and County Organization.

And House Bill No. 300, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Hooker, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

> SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 3, 1897.

Hon. Chas. J. Perrenot,

President of the Senate:

SIR-Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom

was referred-

An act regulating the means and methods of capturing and killing food fishes in the waters of the New Smyrna inlet, Hillsborough river, Mosquito lagoon, Halifax river, Spruce, Tomoke, Bulow and Smith creeks, and the bays and tributary waters thereof on the east coast of Florida, and providing for the punishment of persons violating the same, and appointing a fish warden, and providing for the escheat of property and appliances, and in disposing of the proceeds of same.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the

same, and find it correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. N. HOOKER,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

And the act contained in the above report was referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for signature of Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

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and Secretary of the Senate.

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> SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of Senate:

SIR-Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred-

An act to define the boundaries of the town of St. Peters-

burg, Florida.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and find it correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

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An act to define the boundaries of the town of St. Petersburg, Florida.

Beg leave to report that the same has been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and is herewith presented for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

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The President announced that he was about to sign—An act regulating the means and methods of capturing and killing food fishes in the waters of the New Smyrna inlet, Hillsborough river, Mosquito lagoon, Halifax river, Spruce, Tomoke, Bulow and Smith creeks, and the bays and tributary waters thereof on the east coast of Florida, and providing for the punishment of persons violating the same, and appointing a fish warden, and providing for the escheat of property and appliances, and in disposing of the proceeds of the same.

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An act to define the boundaries of the town of St. Peters-

burg, Florida.

The acts were therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Hooker, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber, Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR-Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred-

An act to repeal chapter 4218, Laws of Florida, being an act to organize a county court in and for the county of Citrus.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and find it correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

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An act to extend the time for the completion of the entire main line of the South American and International Railroad.

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Senate Chamber, 7 Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

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An act to abolish the present corporation of the town of High Springs, in Alachua county, and to establish a municipal government for said town and to prescribe the powers thereof, and to authorize the issuance of bonds for municipal purposes.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the

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Sir-Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred-

An act for the relief of Hugh Bethea of DeSoto county, State of Florida, and to allow the payment to him of the sum of two hundred dollars, the offered reward for the capture of Robert Newberry.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and find it correctly enrolled.

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Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and find it correctly enrolled.

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An act for the appointment of certain city officers of the city of Ocala, Florida, by the city council thereof, conferring on said city council the power to purchase and operate lighting plants or plants for said city and its inhabitants, and conferring on said city council the power to issue certain evidences of indebtedness of said city, and to refund the present outstanding indebtedness thereof, and de-

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Beg leave to report that the same has been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and is herewith presented for the signature of the President

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An act for the improvement of the public roads and bridges in Hillsborough county, providing for the employment of convicts under certain conditions, and for the levy and collection of a road and bridge tax, and the manner of its expenditure.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the

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An act regulating the taking of fish in the waters of

Osceola county.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and find it correctly enrolled.

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An act exempting the employes of certain State institutions from duty as grand and petit jurors.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and find it correctly enrolled.

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An act to authorize the county of Duval to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing school sites and constructing, repairing and furnishing buildings for the use of the public schools in said county.

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SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act exempting the employes of certain State institutions from duty as grand and petit jurors.

Beg leave to report that the same has been delivered to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

J. N. Hooker,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Hooker, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 2, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

Sin-Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred-

An act to amend section 2463 of the Revised Statutes of

the State of Florida, relating to embezzlement by public officers, and to define and declare what is prima facie evidence thereunder.

Beg leave leave to report that the same has been delivered to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

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SENATE CHAMBER, TALLLAHASSEE, FLA., June 3, 1897.

Hon. Chas. J. Perrenot,

President of the Senate:

SIR-Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred-

An act for the relief of George W. Reynolds, ex-tax collector of the county of Monroe, State of Florida,

Beg leave to report that the same has been delivered to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

J. N. HOOKER,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

Sir-Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred-

An act requiring the means and methods of capturing and killing food fishes in the waters of the New Smyrna inlet, Hillsboro river, Mosquito lagoon, Halifax river, Spruce, Tomoke, Bulow and Smith creeks, and the bays and tributary waters thereof on the east coast of Florida, and providing for the punishment of persons violating the same, and appointing a fish warden, and providing for the escheat of property and appliances, and in disposing of the proceeds of same.

Beg leave to report that the same has been delivered to the-Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

J. N. HOOKER,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Hooker, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, 7

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR-Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred-

An act to define the boundaries of the town of St. Peters-burg, Florida.

Beg leave to report that the same has been delivered to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

J. N. Hooker,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills-

Special Order.

The hour of 10:30 p. m having arrived, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of—

House Bill No. 179:

A bill to be entitled an act for the benefit of creditors of insolvent traders.

The bill was again read the third time in full, and put upon its passage.

Pending which-

The hour of 11 o'clock arrived, the time set for the Senate to convene as a court of impeachment.

11:00 o'clock, A. M.

The Senate sitting as a court of impeachment, was called to order at 11 a.m. pursuant to adjournment by Chief Justice Taylor.

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The Sergeant-at-Arms, by direction of the Chief Justice, made the usual proclamation, as follows: "Hear ye! hear ye! all persons are commanded to keep silent under pain of punishment, while the Senate of the State of Florida is sitting for the trial of the articles of impeachment exhibited by the House of Representatives against Clarence B. Collins, Treasurer of the State of Florida."

The Chief Justice directed the Secretary of the Senate to call the roll, and the following Senators answered present:

Messrs. Bailey, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Darby, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hendley, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 14th, Perrenot, Phipps, Roberts, Thomas and Wadsworth.

A quorum present.

The Sergeant-at-Arms was ordered to notify the House of Representatives, or the managers of the impeachment proceedings thereof, that the Senate has met as a court of impeachment pursuant to adjournment, and requesting their presence; which the Sergeant-at-Arms proceeded to do.

The Secretary proceeded to read the Journal of the proceedings of the Journal of the Senate sitting as a court of

impeacament on Friday, May 28, 1897.

On motion of Mr. Hartridge, the reading of the Jour-

nal was dispensed with.

The Journal of Monday, May 31, was corrected and

approved.

Mr. Sloan on the part of the board of managers appointed by the House of Representatives to conduct the trial of the articles of impeachment, notified the Senate of the passage by the House of Representatives of certain resolutions, and presented the following statement:

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House having been notified by message from the Governor, that C. B. Collins, Treasurer of the State, had tendered his resignation of said office, and the House by resolution has instructed its board of managers to appear at the bar of this honorable body and request the withdrawl of the articles of impeachment heretofore presented, and in compliance of said resolution, we, the managers on the part of the House, do respectfully ask the privilege of withdrawing all of the articles of impeachment now before your body against C. B. Collins, Treasurer of the State of Florida.

M. H. SLOAN,

Chairman.

Mr. Perrenot moved that the court of impeachment now take a recess for twenty minutes;

Which was agreed to.

11:20 о'сьоск.

At 11:20 o'clock the Senate reconvened for legislative and executive business.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Darby, Dimick, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hendley, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 14th, Phipps Roberts, Thomas and Wadsworth—26.

A quorum present.

The President presented the tollowing communication from the Governor, which was read:

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, TALLAHASSEE, June 3, 1897.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY:

I have this day received the resignation of Hon. C. B. Collins, State Treasurer.

In view of the proceedings of the two houses, it would not be proper for me to accept the same without your concurrence and consent.

Believing, however, that the public interests would be best subserved by allowing his resignation to become effective, I respectfully submit the matter to the Legislature for consideration and determination.

Very respectfully,

W. D. BLOXHAM, Governor of Florida.

Mr. Darby moved that the Senate disapprove of the acceptance of the resignation of Clarence B. Collins, Treasurer of the State of Florida, by the Governor.

Mr. Myers offered the following resolution as a substitute

for Mr. Darby's motion:

Whereas, The Governor of the State of Florida has communicated to the Senate the fact that Clarence B. Collins, Treasurer of the State of Florida, has tendered his resigna-

tion of such office, and in such communication has stated that in view of the impeachment proceedings against the said Clarence B. Collins, it would not be proper for His Excellency to accept such resignation without the concurrence of the Legislature.

Therefore be it resolved, That as the Senate is, under the Constitution, the court for the trial of the articles of impeachment presented by the House of Representatives against the said Clarence B. Collins, it is in the judgment of the Senate improper for them to take any action on such resignation

either by concurrence or otherwise.

Resolved further, That in the judgment of the Senate the matter of acceptance or rejecting the resignation of said Clarence B. Collins is exclusively for executive determination, and that the matter of prosecuting the articles of impeachment is solely for the determination of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Myers moved the adoption of the substitute.

The yeas and nays were demanded. Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Darby, Dimick, Dougherty, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hendley, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas and Williams—29.

Nays--None.

So the substitute was adopted.

12:40 o'cLock.

At 12:40 o'clock-

The Senate resumed its session, sitting as a court of impeachment.

Chief Justice Taylor presiding.

The roll was called, and the following Senators answered

to their names:

Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Darby, Dimick, Dougherty, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hendley, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Perrenot, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas and Williams -29.

A quorum present.

The Sergeant-at-Arms was ordered to notify the managers of impeachment on the part of the House of Representatives that the Senate was now sitting as a court of impeachment, and was ready to receive them.

The managers appeared and took their seats.

The request of the board of managers to withdraw articles of impeachment, on request of Mr. Hartridge, was again read by the Secretary.

Mr. Hartridge introduced the following order:

Ordered: That the Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, do comply with the request of the House of Representatives, as made through its board of managers, and that the board of managers of the House of Representatives be, and they are hereby, permitted to withdraw the articles and the supplementary articles of impeachment heretofore presented by said board of managers, and that said articles be delivered to the board of managers of the House.

Mr. Hartridge moved the adoption of the order.

Pending which-

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved that the Senate sitting as a court of impeachment do now take a recess until 4:00 o'clock this alternoon.

Which was agreed to.

1:25 o'clock.

At 1:25 p. m. the Senate resumed its session for legislative and executive business.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Crosby, Daniel, Darby, Dougherty, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hendley, Hooker, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas and Williams—26.

A quorum present.

Mr. Chipley moved that the Senate do now take a recess until 3:45 o'clock this afternoon;

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until 3:45 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3:45 o'clock.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to

their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Dimick, Dougherty, Gaillard, Hendley, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas and Williams—25.

A quorum present.

Mr. McLin moved that the rules be waived, and that messages from the House be taken up;

Which was agreed to by a two thirds vote.

Mr. Carson moved that the messages from the House of Representatives be spread upon the Journal without reading, but that the bills therein be read the first time by title and referred;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Messages from the House.

The following message from the House of Representativeswas read:

House of Representatives, { Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897. }

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of Senate:

Sir-I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 305:

A bill to be entitled an act fixing the per diem to be paid to the expert employed by the special committee to examine the State Treasurer's office.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives

And Senate Bill No. 305, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following:

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 410:

A bill to be entitled an act making appropriations for the expenses of the State government for the six months of the year 1897, and for the year 1898, and for six months of the year 1899.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate

thereto.

Very respectfully, Wm. Forsyth Bynum,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 410, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

The hour of 4 o'clock arrived, the time set for the Senate

to reconvene as a court of impeachment.

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate sitting as a court of impeachment, resumed its session.

Chief Justice Taylor presiding.

Upon call of the roll, the following Senators answered to

their names:

Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Darby, Dimick, Dougherty, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hendley, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Perrenot, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas and Williams—27.

A quorum present.

The Sergeant-at-Arms made the usual proclamation on

opening the court of impeachment.

The Secretary was instructed to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate was now sitting as a court of impeachment, and requested the presence of the board of managers on the part of the House.

The Secretary returned and notified the Senate, sitting as a

court of impeachment, that he had performed that duty.

The managers appeared at the bar of the Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, and their appearance was so made known by the Sergeant-at-Arms.

The following order presented by Mr. Hartridge, under

discussion when the recess was taken, was again read:

Ordered: That the Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, do comply with the request of the House of Representatives, as made through its board of managers, and that the board of Managers of the House of Representatives be, and they are hereby, permitted to withdraw the articles and the supplimentary articles of impeachment heretofore presented by said board of managers, and that said articles be delivered to the board of managers of the House.

Mr. Hartridge moved that he be allowed to withdraw the

resolution;

Which was agreed to.

And the resolution was withdrawn.

Mr. Harris, on behalt of the board of managers of the House of Representatives presented the following paper:

To the Senate of Florida, Sitting as a Court of Impeachment:

Whereas, The House of Representatives of the State of Florida have, by resolution, unanimously adopted, instructed the undersigned managers on the part of said House for the conduct on its behalf of the impeachment proceeding before the Senate against Clarence B. Collins, State Treasurer, to withdraw the articles of impeachment preferred against said Collins, and to proceed no further with the prosecution of said impeachment proceedings, because of the resignation by said Collins from the office of State Treasurer on this date. Therefore, the said undersigned managers do hereby respectfully request of the Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, to be allowed to withdraw the said articles of impeachment

preferred against the said Clarence B. Collins, Treasurer, and to enter a nolle prosequi therein.

M. H. SLOAN, Chairman.
W. K. ZEWADSKI,
W. HUNT HARRIS,
J. P. WALL,
W. A. FULTON,
S. E. RICE.
F. A. HENDRY.

Mr. Harris, on the part of the managers, requested that they be allowed to withdraw.

Thereupon the board of managers on the part of the House withdrew.

Mr. Darby moved that the Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, do not grant the request made by the House managers to withdraw the articles of impeachment, and to enter a formal "nolle prossequi."

Mr. Darby withdrew the motion.

Mr. Hartridge offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, comply with the request of the House of Representatives as expressed through its board of managers, and that said board of managers be and they are hereby permitted to withdraw the articles and supplemental articles heretofore presented at the bar of the Senate.

Mr. Hartridge moved the adoption of the resolution.

The yeas and nays were demanded. Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas-Messrs. Carson, Chipley, Daniel, Dimick, Hart-

ridge, Myers, Phipps and Roberts-9.

Nays—Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Clark, Crosby, Darby, Dougherty, Hooker, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Perrenot, Reeves, Thomas and Williams—19.

So the resolution was not agreed to.

In explanation of his vote on the above, Mr. Reeves said:

"I vote 'no'; not because I wish to proceed further with this trial, but because I am unwilling to concede that the House of Representatives now has the power to nolle prosequithis case."

Mr. Hartridge offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The House of Representatives, through its board of managers, appointed to represent the House of Representatives in the impeachment of C. B. Collins, Treasurer, has applied to withdraw the articles of impeachment against

Clarence B. Collins preferred, in view of the resignation of C. B. Collins as Treasurer, and has signified their desire to proceed no further with said impeachment, but to enter a nolle prosequi therein; therefore be it

Resolved, That this Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, for the trial of Clarence B. Collins, Treasurer, do now

adjourn sine die.

Mr. Hartridge moved the adoption of the resolution.

The yeas and nays were demanded. Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas-Messrs. Carson, Chipley, Daniel, Dimick, Gaillard,

Hartridge, Myers, Phipps, Reeves and Roberts-10.

Nays—Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Clark, Crosby, Darby, Dougherty, Hendley, Hooker, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Perrenot, Thomas and Williams—18

So the resolution was not agreed to.

Mr. Darby moved that the managers on the part of the House of Representatives in the trial of the articles of impeachment against Clarence B. Collins, Treasurer of the State of Florida, be notified of the action of the Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, and that their presence is requested before this court;

Which was agreed to, and the notification was made. Mr. Palmer of 14th offered the following resolution

Resolved, That the Senate sitting as as a court of impeachment do now adjourn until 9:30 o'clock to-morrow, and that the Chief Justice instruct the Sergeant-at-Arms to notify the respondent to appear at the bar of the Senate at said hour and answer or plead to the articles of impeachment preferred against him.

Mr. Dougherty moved the adoption of the resolution;

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, stood adjourned until 9:00 o'clock to-morrow morning.

6:07 o'clock.

At 6:07 o'clock the Senate resumed its session for legislative and executive business.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Darby, Dimick, Dougherty, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas and Williams—27.

A quorum present.

By permission—

Mr. Dougherty introduced:

Senate Bill No. 306:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the depositing of any of the monies of the State of Florida in any bank, the stockholders of which are only liable to the amount of their unpaid subscriptions to the capital stock thereof;

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to

the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

By permission-

Mr. Williams, Acting Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, 7 TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR-Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred-

Senate Joint Resolution No. 297:

Joint Resolution providing for the selection and prescribing the duties and powers of a joint committee to examine, investigate, consider and report upon the expenses of the State government, the practical operation of the revenue laws, and the status of the State's finances, the public debts, the several State funds, and the Internal Improvement Fund.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend

that the same do not pass.

Very respec fully,

AUTHUR T. WILLIAMS,

Acting Chairman Committee on Finance and Taxation.
And Senate Joint Resolution No. 297, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

By permission-

Mr. Blitch of 20th, Chairman of the Committee on State Affairs, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 3, 1897. }

Hon. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

Sir Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred.

House Bill No. 385:

A bill to be entitled an act making it the duty of the Secretary of State to take charge of and have full control of all books in the State library, and empowering him to build shelves for same.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same, and return it without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

S. H. BLITCH,

Chairman Committee on State Affairs.

And House Bill No. 385, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

By permission—

Mr. Hooker, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

Sir-Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred-

An act to amend section 1 of an act establishing a fine and forfeiture fund in the several counties, regulating the payment of criminal cost, authorizing a special tax for said cost, and providing for the feed of prisoners and hire of convicts, approved April 20, 1895, as amended by chapter 4325, Laws of Florida.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and find it correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. N. HOOKER,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

And the act contained in the above report, was referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for signature of Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

By permission-

Mr. Hooker, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, & TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 3, 1897.

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President of the Senate:

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Beg leave to report that the same has been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and is herewith presented for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

J. N. HOOKER,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Enrolled.

The President announced that he was about to sign-

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The act was therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to

the Governor for his approval.

By permission—

Mr. Hooker, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR-Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred-

An act for the protection and preservation of food fishes in the St. Johns river, and all other streams, rivers, creeks and bayons in the State of Florida.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and find it correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. N. HOOKER,

Chairman Joint Committe on Enrolled Bills.

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By permission—

Mr. Hooker, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, 7

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

Sir-Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to whom was referred-

An act to prevent the adulteration of candy.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and find it correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. N. Hooker,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

And the act contained in the above report was referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for signature of Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

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Beg leave to report that the same has been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and is herewith presented for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

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An act for the protection and preservation of food fishes in the St Johns river, and all other streams, rivers, creeks and bayous in the State of Florida.

Beg leave to report that the same has been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and is herewith presented for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

J. N. Hooker,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Enrolled.

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The acts were therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

By permission—

Mr. Hooker, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 3, 1897.

Hon. Chas. J. Perrenot,

President of Senate:

Sin-Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred.

An act to prohibit arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations, and certain other acts or things intended or tending to prevent, hinder or obstruct the lawful sale of Florida fed beef or other beef, or other fresh meat or cattle, or other edible animal in this State, or tending to monopolize or control the sale or price thereof.

Also,

An act to incorporate the city of Miami, in Dade county, Florida, and to declare the incorporation of said city valid and of full force and effect.

Beg leave to report that have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. N. Hooker,

Chairman Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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Beg leave to report that the same has been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and is herewith presented for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

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An act to incorporate the city of Miami, in Dade county, Florida, and to declare the incorporation of said city to be valid and of full force and effect.

The acts were therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

By permission-

Mr. Hooker, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber, Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

Hon. Chas. J. Perrenot,

President of the Senate:

SIR-Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred-

An act to amend section 31 of chapter 4496 of the Laws of

Florida, entitled an act to amend the city charter of the city: of Tampa.

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An act to create a corporation to be named the Key West Insurance Company, and to confer certain privileges thereon.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the

same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. N. HOOKER,

Chairman Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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Hon. Chas. J. Perrenot,

President of the Senate:

Sir-Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom

was referred ____

An act to abolish the present municipal government of Daytona, Volusia county, Florida, and to organize a city government for the same, and to provide for its jurisdiction and powers.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the

same, and find it correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

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Hon. Chas. J. Perrenot,

President of the Senate:

Sir-Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to whom was referred ---

An act to amend chapter 4180, Acts of 1893, entitled an act to amend sections 568 and 570 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, concerning annuities for disabled soldiers and sailors of the State of Florida, approved June 2, 1893.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the

same, and find it correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

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Senate Chamber, { Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897. }

Hon. Chas. J. Perrenot,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to amend chapter 4180, Acts of 1893, entitled an act to amend sections 568 and 570 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, concerning annuities for disabled soldiers and sailors of the State of Florida, approved June 2, 1893.

Beg leave to report that the same has been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and is herewith presented for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

J. N. Hooker,

Chairman Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Enrolled.

The President announced that he was about to sign-

An act to amend chapter 4180, acts of 1893, entitled an act to amend sections 568 and 570 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida concerning annuities for disabled soldiers and sailors of the State of Florida, approved June 2, 1893.

The act was therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Bynum moved that the Senate do now take a recess

until 8:00 p. m;

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until 8:00 o clock this evening.

NIGHT SESSION.

8:00 o'clock.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

Upon call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Dimick, Dougherty, Hartridge, McLin, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Roberts, Thomas and Williams—20.

A quorum present.

Mr. Wadsworth moved that the rules be waived, and that he be allowed to call up—

House Bill No. 90:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 2517 of the Revised Statutes, relating to trespass on tarms, gardens, etc; Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 90 was taken up and read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Blitch of 21st, Bynum, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Dimick, Dougherty, Hartridge, Hooker, Palmer of 14th, Roberts, Wadsworth and Williams—17.

Nays--None.

So House Bill No. 90 passed, title as stated.

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved that the rules be waived, and he be allowed to call up Senate Bill No. 212, now on its second reading;

Which was agreed to by a two thirds vote.

And.

Senate Bill No. 212:

A bill to be entitled an act to secure roads for the ingress and egress of persons owning lands cut off from the public market or church roads by lands of others,

Was read the second time in full.

Mr. Palmer of 14th offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 212:

At the end of section 1 add: "Provided, That all expense of opening said road shall be borne by the petitioner asking for said road."

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved that the rules be further waived,

and Senate Bill No. 212, as amended, be read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 212 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas-Messrs. Bailey, Blitch of 21st, Chipley, Palmer of

14th, Thomas and Williams-6.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Broome, Bynum, Carson, Crosby, Daniel, Dimick, Dougherty, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, Palmer of 11th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts and Wadsworth—16.

So Senate Bill No. 212 failed to pass.

A message was received from the House of Representa-

Mr. Hartridge moved that the rules be waived, and he be allowed to call up House Bill No. 3, now on its second reading.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And,

House Bill No. 3:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend sections 2, 3, 4, 6, 10, 12, 22, 24, 25, 30, 37, 40, of an act entitled an act to provide for the registration of all legally qualified voters in the several counties of the State, and to provide for the general and special elections and for the returns of elections, approved May 25th, 1895,

Was taken up.

Mr. Hartridge moved that the rules be waived, and House Bill No. 3 be read second time by its title, together with the amendment offered by Committee on Privileges and Elections:

Which was agreed to by a two thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 3, as amended, was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Hartridge moved the adoption of the committee amendment;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hartridge moved that the rules be waived, and House Bill No. 3, as amended, be read a third time and put upon its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 3, as amended, was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Crosby, Daniel, Dimick, Dougherty, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hooker, Myers,

McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williams—25.

Nays-None.

So House Bill No. 3, as amended, passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

By permission—
Mr. Williams, Acting Chairman of the Committee on
Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 306:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the depositing of any of the moneys of the State of Florida in any bank, the stockholders of which are only liable to the amount of their unpaid subscription to the capital stock thereof.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend

that the same do pass.

Very respectfully,

ARTHUR T. WILLIAMS,

Acting Chairman Committee on Finance and Taxation.

And Senate Bill No. 306, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading

Mr. Carson moved that the rules be waived, and that the Senate take up House messages;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved that the messages from the House of Representatives be spread upon the Journal without reading, but that the bills therein be read the first time by title and referred;

Which was agreed to.

Messages from the House.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives, Lallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

Hon. Chas. J. Perrenot.

President of the Senate:

Sir-I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 39:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend sections 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 10 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Florida Chatauqua Association, approved February 12, 1885.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 39, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following:

House of Representatives, Callahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Serate:

SIR-I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 302:

A bill to be entitled an act requiring a special license tax to be paid by express companies doing business in this State.

Very respectfully,

Wm. Forsyth Bynum, Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 302, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following:

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT.

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 301:

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate \$20,000, to be used for the purchase and payment for the buildings, fumigating plants, wharves, and other property, including boats, of the Escambia County Board of Health, and to have same conveyed to the State Board of Health of the State of Florida.

With amendments.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully, Wm. Forsyth Bynum,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved that the Senate concur in House amendments to Senate Bill No. 301;

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 301, as amended, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following:

House of Representatives, 7 Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

Sir-I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 131:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 1 of "an act in relation to the prosecution by the State of violation of prohibition regulations," approved April 25, 1895.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 131, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following:

House of Representatives, 7 Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

Sir-I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Memorial No. 160:

A memorial to Congress asking that the settlers on the Fort Jupiter Reserve be allowed to homestead, etc.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Memorial No. 160, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following:

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT.

President of the Senate:

Sir-I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 233:

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing the county commissioners of Polk county to call an election to vote a special road tax for roads in the several road districts of said county, and providing how the revenue shall be expended.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM, Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 233, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following:

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

Hon. C. J. Perrenot,

President of the Senate:

SIR-I am directed by the House of Representatives to

inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 240:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the catching or taking of fish with gill nets or seines from the waters of the Homosassa river and its tributaries.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 240, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also the following:

House of Representatives, & Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

HON. CHAS. J. PERRENOT,

President of the Senate:

Sin-I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 391:

A bill to be entitled an act relating to the appointment of an agent to examine, inspect and report monthly, or oftener as to the treatment, care custody and maintenance of all State convicts.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 391, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Also the following:

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Fla., June 3, 1897.

Hon. Chas. J. Perrenot,

President of the Senate:

SIR-I am directed by the House of Representatives to

inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed-

House Bill No. 405 ::

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Frank L. Henderson, of the county of Hillsborough and State of Florida.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM.

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. $405\frac{1}{2}$, contained in the above message,

was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Palmer of 11th moved that House Bill No. $405\frac{1}{2}$ be placed on the calendar of bills on second reading without reference;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Reeves moved that the rules be waived, and he be allowed to call up Senate Bill No. 170, now on its third reading: Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And.

Senate Bill No. 170:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for service upon nonresident defendants in certain chancery cases,

Was taken up and read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas-Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Blitch of 20th, Bitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Crosby, Daniel, Dimick, Dougherty, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hendley, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th Phipps, Reever, Roberts, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williams-25.

Nays-None.

So Senate Bill No. 170 passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

By permission-

Mr. Williams, Acting Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

> SENATE CHAMBER, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., June 3, 1897.

Hon. Chas. J. Perrenot.

President of the Senate.

SIR-Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referredHouse Bill No. 410:

A bill to be entitled an act making appropriations for the expenses of the State government for six months of the year 1897, and for the year 1898, and for six months of the year 1899.

Beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration, and herewith return it without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

ARTHUR T. WILLIAMS,

Acting Chairman Committee on Finance and Taxation.

And House Bill No. 410, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Special Order.

House Bill No. 368:

A bill to be entitled an act for the division of DeSoto county, and the creation of a new county from a portion of the same.

Set for consideration this evening,

Was taken up.

Mr. Darby offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 368:

Strike out all after the enacting clause.

Mr. Darby moved the adoption of the amendment.

The yeas and nays were demanded. Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Blitch of 20th, Carson, Clark, Crosby, Darby, Dimick, Dougherty, Gaillard, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 14th, Thomas and Williams—14.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Barber, Blitch of 21st, Bynum, Daniel, Hartridge, Hendley, Palmer of 11th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts and Wadsworth—13.

So the amendment was agreed to.

Mr. Adams and Mr. Chipley were paired; the former would have voted no, and the latter aye.

Mr. Dimick moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Dougherty moved to lay the motion to reconsider upon

the table.

The yeas and nays were demanded. Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas-Messrs. Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Carson,

Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Darby, Dimick, Dougherty, Guillard, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 14th, Thomas and Williams—16.

Nays—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Barber, Hartridge, Hendley, Palmer of 11th, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts and

Wadsworth--10.

So the motion to lay the motion to reconsider on the table prevailed.

Mr. Carson called up-

House Bill No. 296:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for teachers' summer

schools, and to make appropriations therefor.

And House Bill No. 296, as amended, was read a second time in full, together with the amendment offered by the Committee on Education.

Mr. Carson moved the adoption of the committee amend-

ment;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Carson moved that the rules be waived, and House-Bill No. 296, as amended, be read a third time and put upput its passage;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 296, as amended, was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Barber, Blitch of 21st, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Crosby, Darby, Dougherty, Hartridge, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Roberts, Thomas and Williams—19.

Nays-Messrs. Blitch of 20th, Broome, Clark, Dimink,

Gaillard, Hendley, Phipps, Reeves and Wadsworth-9.

So House Bill No. 296, as amended, passed, title as stated.

And was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Dougherty called up-

House Bill No. 410:

A bill to be entitled an act making appropriations for the expenses of the State government for the six months of the year 1897, and for the year 1898, and for six months of the year 1899.

Mr. Myers moved that House Bill 410 be read by its

sections; Which was agreed to.

Section 1 was read.

Mr. Dougherty offered the following amendment to House-Bill No. 410:

In line 2, page, —, after the words "seventy thousand (70,000) dollars," insert the words "for per diem, mileage and expenses of court of impeachment, fifteen thousand (15,000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary."

Mr. Dougherty moved the adoption of the amendment;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Chipley offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In line 4, section 1, insert after the word "dollars," "for assistant chemist and inspector of fertilizers, \$600."

Mr. Chipley moved the adoption of the amendment.

Pending which...

Mr. Hartridge moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 9:30 o'clock to-morrow morning;

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until 9:30 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, June 4, 1897.

The Senate sitting as a court of impeachment, was called to order at 9:30 a.m., pursuant to adjournment by Chief Justice Taylor.

The Sergeant-at-Arms, by direction of the Chief Justice, made the usual proclamation, as follows: "Hear ye! hear ye! all persons are commanded to keep silent under pain of punishment, while the Senate of the State of Florida is sitting for the trial of the articles of impeachment exhibited by the House of Representatives against Clarence B. Collins, Treasurer of the State of Florida."

The Chief Justice directed the Secretary of the Senate to eall the roll, and the following Senators answered present:

Messrs. Adams, Bailey, Barber, Blitch of 20th, Blitch of 21st, Broome, Bynum, Carson, Chipley, Clark, Crosby, Daniel, Darby, Dimick, Dougherty, Gaillard, Hartridge, Hendley, Hooker, Myers, McLin, Palmer of 11th, Palmer of 14th, Perrenot, Phipps, Reeves, Roberts, Thomas, Wadsworth and Williams—29.

A quorum present.

The Sergeant-at-Arms was ordered to notify the House of Representatives or the managers of the impeachment proceedings thereof, that the Senate has met as a court of im-